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IN THE MATTER OF

LAURIE PETERSON DEERFIELD, D.O.: Administrative Action

LICENSED TO PRACTICE MEDICINE : ORDER GRANTING REINSTATEMENT

AND SURGERY IN THE STATE OF : OF LICENSURE LIMITED TO

NEW JERSEY : COMPLETION OF RESIDENCY PROGRAM

This matter was first opened to the State Board of Medical Examiners upon receipt of information from the Physicians' Health Program of the Medical Society of New Jersey ("PHP") that in March 2004 Laurie Peterson Deerfield, D.O. ("respondent") had relapsed into the abuse of cocaine and alcohol. In cooperation with the PHP, respondent entered into an in-patient substance abuse treatment program at Marworth, Waverly, Pennsylvania. On April 12, 2004 she voluntarily surrendered her license to practice medicine

In June of 2004 respondent appeared before the Preliminary Evaluation Committee of the Board and petitioned for licensure for the sole purpose of completing the remainder of the last year of her residency program in psychiatry at Kennedy Memorial Hospitals - University Medical Center SOM. Dr. Lewis

and surgery in the State of New Jersey without prejudice,



Baxter, M.D., Medical Director of the Physicians' Health Program of the Medical Society of New Jersey, appeared with respondent and testified in support of her petition for licensure in order to complete her residency. The Board is satisfied that the respondent has complied with the prior consent order and her treatment regimen and that this grant of licensure is limited solely to completion of her residency program. In addition, respondent has voluntarily agreed that she will continue to participate in the Physicians' Health Program and continue appropriate monitoring.

The Board having determined that the within Order is adequately protective of the public health, safety and welfare,

IT IS ON THIS <u>8th</u> DAY OF <u>JULY</u> 2004.
ORDERED:

1. Respondent Laurie Peterson Deerfield, D.O. is hereby granted a license to practice medicine and surgery in the State of New Jersey limited to completion of her psychiatry residency program at Kennedy Memorial Hospital - University Medical Center - SOM.

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